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**Goodyear  
Library  
Grand  
Opening  
March 28**

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## Calendar of Events

### Public Budget Forum

April 22, 2009

Goodyear City Hall, Room 117  
6 to 8 p.m.



### Spring Concert Series

Goodyear Community Park  
3151 N. Litchfield Rd.

Bring lawn chairs/blankets for your comfort.  
Bring food and beverages of your choice  
(no glass please), or purchase from our vendor.  
Shows start at 6:30 p.m. Call 623-882-7525,  
for more information.

FREE EVENT

April 3 – “Lulu LaFever”

April 10 – “Billy Cioffi”

April 17 – “The James Cole Band”

April 24 – “The Craig Colson Band”



### Graffiti Forum

April 29, 2009

Goodyear City Hall, Room 117  
6:30 p.m.

### General Election

May 19

All-mail ballot



## Goodyear City Council



Brenda Holland, Frank Cavalier, Vice Mayor Rob Antoniak,  
Mayor Jim Cavanaugh, Dick Sousa, Georgia Lord and Joanne Osborne

### Goodyear City Council Calendar

Monday, March 23  
Work Session – 5 p.m.  
Regular Meeting – 6 p.m.

Monday, April 13  
Regular Meeting – 6 p.m.

Monday, April 20  
Work Session – 5 p.m.

Monday, April 27  
Regular Meeting – 6 p.m.

Monday, May 4  
Work Session – 5 p.m.

Monday, May 11  
Regular Meeting – 6 p.m.

Monday, May 18  
Regular Meeting – 6 p.m.

Monday, June 8  
Regular Meeting – 6 p.m.

Council meetings  
and work sessions  
are held at the new  
Justice Center at  
Venida Business  
Park, located at  
185 N. 145th Ave.  
on the south side  
of Van Buren  
Street.

Visit [goodyearaz.gov](http://goodyearaz.gov)  
for current Goodyear  
City Council meeting  
schedules and to watch  
City Council meetings  
live and on-demand  
on the internet.

## Council Corner

Vice Mayor Rob Antoniak



Goodyear residents have  
a new place to gather – the  
public library. While you  
may find the idea of  
a library somewhat  
antiquated in the era  
of Facebook, Google  
and downloading books  
onto a Kindle, the modern  
library still holds a unique  
and vital role within a community.

Today's public libraries have collections of useful  
information and resources for common use, provide  
educational programming, offer helpful community  
services and can expose you to our local history.  
Investment in civic spaces like libraries continues to  
be a significant component to creating sustainable  
communities while energizing the imagination and  
intellect of those young and old.

Goodyear's new library will be housed temporarily  
next to City Hall at 250 N. Litchfield Road, in Room  
185. Managed in partnership by the Maricopa County  
Library District it will feature books, programming and  
computers. The City Center, sometime in 2012, will  
eventually be home to a permanent library location.

For those who'd like to become more involved, check  
out Goodyear Friends of the Library, the non-profit  
organization leading the way to making your library  
a source of community pride. You can find out more  
about them at [www.goodyearaz.gov/library](http://www.goodyearaz.gov/library).

Stop by and explore what your new library offers and  
I encourage you to pick-up that great old classic you've  
wanted to read or the burning hot-seller you can't  
seem to find. Share your experience with your  
family and excite them about reading.  
Your library will open during the  
month of what would have been  
Dr. Seuss' 105th birthday,  
a legendary storyteller that  
almost certainly inspired  
many of us to start reading...  
*Oh, The Places You'll Go*  
after a breakfast of  
*Green Eggs and Ham*.

See you soon at your  
new library!

Rob Antoniak

## Three Incumbents Re-elected in Primary

Final election results received March 13 verified that Mayor  
Jim Cavanaugh and Councilmembers Georgia Lord and Frank  
Cavalier have each been elected to another four-year term.  
With one Council seat still undetermined, an all-mail General  
Election will be held May 19 for a run off between candidates  
Wally Campbell and Joe Pizzillo. An all-mail election and a  
large roster of council candidates generated a large turnout  
in the primary election – a total of 8,041 ballots (28.21% of  
registered voters) were cast.

## April 20th Last Date to Register/Change Address for May Election

Ballots for the May 19th General Election will be mailed  
by Maricopa County on April 20th. If you are  
not currently a registered voter, to vote  
in the May election you must register  
by April 20th. If you are already a  
registered voter in Arizona, but have  
moved since you last voted, you will  
need to go online to change your address  
by April 20th so your ballot will be mailed  
to the correct address. It will not be forwarded.



To register or change your address, please go to  
[www.servicearizona.com](http://www.servicearizona.com) and click on Voter  
Registration.

## Update on I-10 Construction Restrictions

Here's an overview of scheduled restrictions on I-10  
in the West Valley. Business access will remain open.  
Motorists are encouraged to use nearby I-10 interchanges.

107th Avenue underneath I-10 is scheduled to reopen on  
Monday, March 30 at 9 a.m. On- and off-ramps will remain open.

The westbound I-10 on-ramp at 99th Avenue is scheduled to  
reopen on Friday, May 15 at 4 p.m.

The I-10 eastbound Litchfield Road on-ramp is now open.

The I-10 eastbound Dysart Road off-ramp is now open.

The I-10 westbound Litchfield Road off-ramp is scheduled to reopen  
on Wednesday, April 15 at 9:30 a.m.

The I-10 westbound Dysart Road on-ramp is scheduled to reopen on  
Tuesday, April 28 at 9:30 a.m.

For general information about I-10 improvements, please contact the I-10  
project hotline at 602-288-9919 or [ADOT@policydevelopmentgroup.com](mailto:ADOT@policydevelopmentgroup.com).







## Library Grand Opening March 28

The Goodyear Library, which had a “soft” opening the week of March 9th, will have its grand opening for the public on Saturday, March 28. Grand opening activities will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The ribbon cutting ceremony will be at 10 a.m. in front of the library which is housed at 250 N. Litchfield Rd. in a building just north of Goodyear City Hall. The two buildings are separated by a plaza with a covered ramada and tables. The library can only be accessed by a door off that plaza.

Grand opening activities will also be held in Room 117 off the lobby of City Hall. These activities include stories by Mother Goose at 10:45 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:45 to 1:30 p.m. Donna Heuseveldt of the Goodyear Library staff will do story time from noon to 12:30. From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Fortune Teller Lady will also be in Room 117 to entertain children of all ages. A Kids Zone with craft activities will be in front of the library along with clowns and balloon artists.

## Come See What's In the New Goodyear Branch Library

What began about a year ago as a few library services including the summer reading program, story times, and a library kiosk in the City Hall lobby has now morphed into a real live library with librarians, computers for online research and books, DVDs and CDs on the shelves!

The library is currently open. Days and times of operation are: Monday – Wednesday 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Thursday – Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

About 6,000 items are housed at this branch, including DVDs for all ages, music CDs labeled by music type, easy picture books for children, big print books for seniors, the latest bestsellers in hardback and many other volumes of books – fiction and non-fiction. It is a sampling of everything you can order online 24 hours a day from the Maricopa County Library District's catalog. Goodyear's kiosk has been moved from the City Hall lobby to the library. At the kiosk, you can also access the entire catalog. Anything you order online can be delivered to the Goodyear library for pickup. There is also a drop box for books outside the library.

Programming will be held at this branch. The first will be Pre-School Concepts featuring colors, numbers, shapes and the alphabet. One concept will be featured each Monday from 10:30 to 11 a.m. for four weeks, beginning April 27th. The Summer Reading Program will soon follow.

FREE library cards will be issued at this branch. You will need to show a photo ID and proof that you live in Maricopa County. Children under 18 must have a guardian present to register. It is a SMARTCARD that will allow you to place funds on it to pay the 25 cents per page charge for printing from the computers.

For more information about the library, call 602-652-3000 or go to [www.mclidaz.org](http://www.mclidaz.org).

## Meet Your Branch Library Manager

“Our goal is for this library to become a truly integral part of the community,” states Fran Wendtland, the branch manager of Goodyear's new library. “We want the residents to consider the Goodyear Branch Library one of the most welcoming facilities they have ever visited.”

Wendtland comes to Goodyear after three years as a Regional Branch Manager for the Maricopa Library District's Northwest Regional Library in Surprise. Goodyear's branch is also run by the Maricopa Library District.

Fran brings 37 years of library experience to Goodyear. She moved to the Valley from the Seattle area in 2002 to work at the Chandler Library prior to taking the position in Surprise.

Come in soon and meet Fran and her library staff: Donna Heuseveldt, Rita Clifford Spiegel and Janet Kummer.



Fran Wendtland, manager of Goodyear's new library

*From the Mayor*

## Ballpark Brings Much-Needed Happiness During Tough Times



Mayor James Cavanaugh

These are very difficult times for most, if not all of us. Job losses and foreclosures monopolize our thinking and command our continuing attention. In these times, we need something to help us feel good again. And if you attended Fan Fest and/or Opening Day at the Goodyear Ballpark, you felt good again. If only for a few hours, all of us enjoyed a truly uplifting experience.

Fan Fest Day, when all of our Goodyear fans were invited to the ballpark for free to wander the entire stadium from the luxury suites and press box to the locker rooms of the home and visitor teams, attracted almost 5,000 people on a beautiful Saturday morning. As I and others spoke at the dedication ceremony before Fan Fest, it was thrilling and gratifying to see the joy in the faces of the men, women, and children who had come to see their new stadium.

Once inside the ballpark, the party began. Children were playing in the Kids Area and wiping mustard from their smiling faces as they took bites of a hot dog much bigger than their mouths could hold. We older folks walked around pointing at everything, looking like big kids, eyes wide with wonder at the ballpark. Some couldn't wait to just sit in the new stadium seats and stare at the green grass – carefully mowed to form a perfect display of sunrays on the field patterned after our City's logo. Everyone was happy and had only good things to say. Many people walked up to me and told me how proud they were of having such a great facility in their town. Indians fans (and there seemed to be a lot of them) couldn't hold back their appreciation and enthusiasm about “their team” playing here. Many eager kids and adults lined up near first base to get autographs from the Indians as they headed onto the field to practice.

But the best part was when probably about 1,000 people lined up to run the bases after the ballplayers left the field. I expected maybe 50 or so youngsters would want to experience being a big leaguer for a few moments. But I never imagined 1,000 people – and many of them only youngsters at heart. The sight of those people having so much fun running the bases made the hefty sum we spent on the ballpark seem totally worth it. It was a great moment.

Opening day was the perfect culmination of several challenging years of work to bring Goodyear into the Cactus League. A crowd of more than 5,600 people came out to the new ballpark on a weekday to witness Goodyear's inaugural game. Witnessing a flyover of four F-16s during famous trumpeter Jesse McGuire's beautiful, unparalleled rendition of the national anthem while military personnel held big stars on the field brought tears to the eyes of many in the crowd. When Hall-of-Famer Bob Feller threw the opening day pitch and the umpire yelled “Play ball,” it was the perfect beginning of a new era in Goodyear – one that will bring smiles to the faces of many and provide a place to have a good time with friends and family. We deserve it.

*Jim*



Fans run the bases at Goodyear's Fan Fest



## Female Prisoner Work Program Saves City Lots of Money

Through an agreement between the City of Goodyear and the Arizona State Prison Complex-Perryville, a prisoner work program has handled weed removal, trash and debris clean-up and trimming shrubs and trees in City rights-of-way since April 2007. This program has saved the City several hundreds of thousands of dollars since its inception that would otherwise have been paid to a contractor for the same service. There have been no escape attempts or incidents involving the inmates during the two years the program has been in existence.

The program is made up of two crews of 9 to 10 inmates per crew. The inmates selected for this program are women who have committed crimes such as bad check writing, fraud and driving while under the influence. None of the inmates have committed crimes against children, committed violent crimes or committed any crime involving a weapon. They also have to have exemplary behavior at the prison to be involved in the program. The inmates are evaluated by City staff each week on their behavior and work progress. If they are not given a good rating, they can be removed from the program and replaced.

Any City staff working with the inmates completed extensive training at the prison to learn how the program works and how to deal with the inmates. Each crew is supervised by a Parks Worker III to ensure that the work being performed is done adequately and to City standards. There is also a trained Parks Worker II that assists both crews. Perryville Prison guards are sent out twice a day to check on the inmates and perform a count of the inmates. Regular communication occurs between City staff and prison staff.

The inmates will not work in or around a school unless the school is out of session or on holiday break. The Perryville Crews generally work Monday through Friday with an occasional Saturday from 6 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the winter and 5:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the summer. 🌱



## Twenty-two Citizens Appointed to Goodyear's State Centennial Committee

The State of Arizona celebrates its 100th birthday on February 14, 2012, and has asked each city to form its own committee to identify and develop legacy projects to celebrate the Centennial. Twenty-two residents (twenty plus two alternates) have been recommended to be on the Goodyear Centennial Committee.

On February 23, 2009, City Council approved the following members for the Goodyear Centennial Committee for a period of approximately three years through the State's Centennial Celebration: William Arnold, Michelle Beverly,

Pat Blair, Judy Blakeman (alternate), Sherry Blatner, Dolores Brown, Wally Campbell, Regina Fostino, Carter Groves, Sharolyn Hohman, Rhonda King, Patricia Krogh, Michelle Kyle, Kara McLeod, Leslie Miller, Robert Ratliff, Roxanne Robles, Julie Schilling (alternate), Abenicio Trujillo, Lou Trujillo, John Vescova, and Gerald Wilson.

Rehabilitation of the Litchfield Train Depot in Goodyear has been named an official legacy project by the Arizona Historical Advisory Commission (AHAC) which has earmarked \$47,548 for the project. The Centennial Committee will be asked to take on the project as a part of their work. The depot was moved from its original home to a City-owned site near the City's 157th Avenue Water Reclamation Plant on February 21st to hold it until a permanent site is found. 🌱



## Education Summit Builds Cooperation Among School Districts

The Goodyear Education Summit held in January was instrumental in opening the door to sharing resources and uniting our community for academic excellence. The City facilitated the education summit during which Goodyear's six school districts and three local colleges agreed to partner with each other to advance educational performance and social support through three workgroups made up of teachers, principals and administrators. They are: Academics/District, Communication and Social Services.



Councilmember Joanne Osborne addresses the education summit attendees

One goal of the summit attendees is to streamline the transition of students between 7th grade to freshman year in high school by getting the schools and teachers involved early with students and parents. The City will partner with schools to identify grant opportunities and support the schools' grant efforts when needed. As a result of the summit, the Southwest Chamber of Commerce is also exploring ways to collaborate with schools to include internships for students and teachers with local businesses.

The Education Summit was organized by the City Council Office to help advance Goodyear's goal of strengthening youth and families. Mayor Jim Cavanaugh and Councilmember Joanne Osborne addressed the summit attendees. 🌱

## HOA Training Seminar

**Saturday, March 28**  
**9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**  
**Estrella Mountain Community College**  
**3000 N. Dysart Road**  
**Avondale, AZ 85323**

### Track A Legal Issues and Conservation Tips for HOAs

An HOA attorney will provide an overview of legal issues and new HOA legislation as well as discuss the transition process, when new subdivisions go from developer to homeowners, and financial reserve studies. Experts will discuss landscape maintenance and water conservation. (#46668)

### Track B Effective Board Management and Communications

Learn how to select a property management company and vendors, and how to hold effective board meetings that are productive and end on time. Instructors will introduce techniques to manage unruly residents and discuss ways to get through the prepared agenda. (#46669)

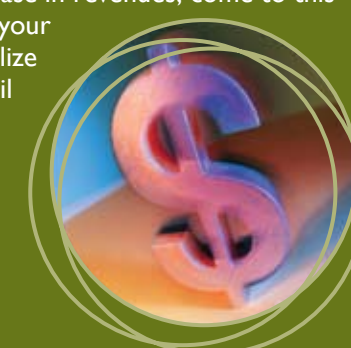
Cost – \$29 per day includes lunch. For more information, call 623-882-7812 or register at Estrella Mountain Community College by calling 623-935-8888. 🌱

## Public Budget Forum

**April 22, 2009**  
**City Hall, Conference Room 117**  
**6 to 8 p.m.**  
**Budget Briefing for Fiscal Year 2009/2010**

If you want to learn about reductions in expenditures planned for next year to balance the budget and offset Goodyear's anticipated decrease in revenues, come to this Public Budget Forum. We'd like your input on the budget before we finalize it for presentation to the City Council for tentative approval in late May.

- See a presentation on:
- Budget Process
  - Revenues
  - Operations Budget
  - Capital Improvement Plan 🌱

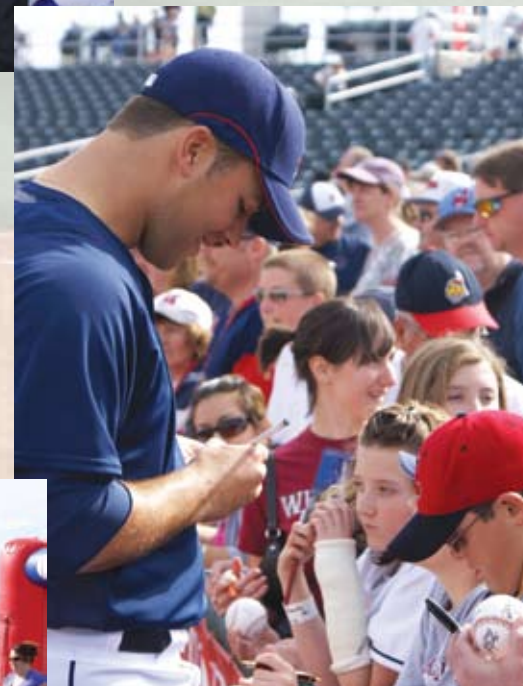
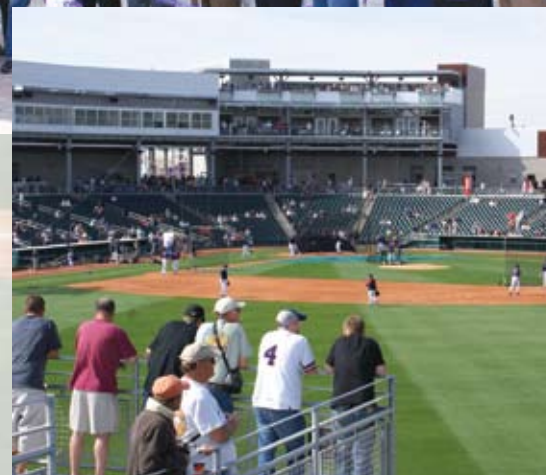




# Spring Training is Here!

Fan Fest Fun for Everyone!

Opening Day!



## Special Ticket Deals at Goodyear Ballpark

### Fun Pack Tickets

\$48 – includes 4 game tickets, 4 hot dogs, 4 sodas and 4 bags of chips for March 31 game only. More than four in your party? Add \$12 each for each extra person.

### Spring Breaker Blowout Days

Half-priced weekday tickets in the Outfield Box and Outfield Reserved seating sections.

Tickets for these promotions must be purchased at the Goodyear Ballpark Ticket Office, 1933 S. Ballpark Way. Discounts do not apply to previous purchases.

Purchase tickets online at [Indians.com](http://Indians.com), by phone at 480-784-4444, at any Ticketmaster Outlet, or at the Goodyear Ballpark Box Office, 1933 S. Ballpark Way.







## Continuity of Government Training Ensures Service During Emergencies

### City Manager John F. Fischbach

We recently sent our directors and other key City staff to a two-day interactive workshop that demonstrated how to adapt to sudden changes in operations. While we have frequently had training sessions and mock drills for our staff in FEMA Emergency Operations Procedures concerning how to help our community in the event of an emergency, the Continuity of Government (COG) training provided by FEMA is different.

COG differs because it is designed to ensure that city government's essential operations can be performed during an emergency situation that may disrupt our normal operations. The objective is for city government to be up and operating within 12 hours of an emergency event and operational for at least 30 days or until the end of the event, whichever comes first. The workshop helped staff prepare elements of a COG plan which would include lines of succession, delegation of authorities, determination of alternate facilities, determination of essential functions, identification of needed skills among our employees, deployment of staff to perform essential functions, the maintenance of vital records, and establishment of interoperable communications between our departments and outside agencies.

Having such a plan will ensure the continuous performance of the City's essential functions, by helping us assess and minimize damage and losses, minimizing disruptions to operations and achieving a timely and orderly recovery from the emergency so we can resume full service to customers.

While we certainly hope no natural disaster, terrorist incident or civil unrest will ever create an emergency that would cause us to implement a Continuity of Government Plan, it would be irresponsible of us not to prepare for all possibilities. We will always do our best to ensure service to our residents – even during an emergency. 🌱

## Solar Energy Town Hall

The solar energy industry holds a lot of promise for Arizona and its residents. Find out how this emerging industry could boost the state's ailing economy and bring high-wage jobs to areas such as the Southwest Valley at a Town Hall meeting at 6:30 p.m. on March 31 at Estrella Mountain Community College, 3000 N. Dysart Rd. in the Community Room.

The event, sponsored by the Southwest Valley Chamber of Commerce, will feature a panel of community, business and government leaders. Goodyear Economic Director Harry Paxton will be on the panel to speak about the emerging renewable energy industry and what it holds for Arizona, and more specifically Goodyear. 🌱



## Volunteer Coordinator Seeking Projects and Volunteer Groups

Several large groups have contacted the City's Volunteer Coordinator, Judi Switanek, about helping with volunteer projects. Some of the groups have as many as 40 volunteers who are willing to tackle a project at one time.

So, the City is looking for projects that would work for large volunteer groups and help a citizen, a neighborhood or our community in some meaningful manner.

In the past, groups have volunteered to help remove graffiti, clean up roadsides and alleyways. They have assisted with the City's special events such as handing out water bottles on a hot July 4th evening at the Star Spangled 4th event. Several volunteer groups painted a resident's house that was sorely in need and cleaned up weeds in his yard when illness prevented him from maintaining his property to neighborhood standards.



The Community Services Department would like to match the group to the project so having a list of projects ready and waiting when a group calls to volunteer their services would really expedite community enhancement projects. Projects will also depend upon the group and the time and resources it would take to complete.

Also, if you are a member of an organization or group that volunteers and you think your group might be interested in taking on a project, please let us know. We always need more volunteer groups to match with projects.

If you have a project idea or know of a group that can volunteer, please call Judi Switanek at 623-882-7807 to discuss it. All ideas will be taken into consideration; however, we cannot guarantee that each project will be approved. 🌱

## March Volunteer Profile

This month's volunteer profile is on Kris Kent, a "Red Shirt" in the Fire Department. As a Red Shirt, Kent has proven to be someone who can be trusted to correctly do any task given him and do it in a professional manner. He was integral in getting Fire's certified live fire fighting gear bagged and tagged with accurate information as to manufacture date and sizes and in determining if surplus turnout gear was repairable and serviceable.

He also heads up the monthly "Red Shirt Car Wash Days" when Red Shirts save the City money by washing fire vehicles by hand rather than taking them to a car wash. He is also writing instructions for other Red Shirts on what to do when making backboard runs to the hospitals and then cleaning and restocking the backboards at the fire stations.

It's no wonder, firefighters refer to Kent as a "true asset" to support services. 🌱



"Red Shirt" volunteer, Kris Kent

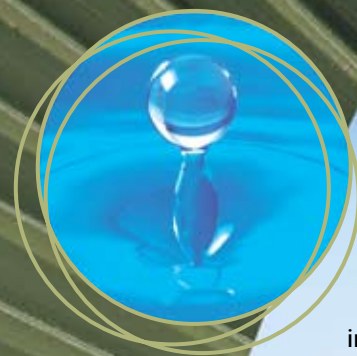
## "Red Shirt" Program Invaluable

Since its inception in May 2008, the Red Shirt program has provided hundreds of hours of volunteer man hours to the Fire Department. Anyone interested in all areas of fire service including administration, building safety, public education and firefighting is welcome to apply for the program.

Red Shirt volunteers are required to put in a minimum of 10 hours per month and go through the same background check as any City volunteer – drug screening and finger printing. A Red Shirt will receive two red shirts and two pair of blue pants to wear on the job. Volunteering familiarizes them with the lifestyle and work of the Fire Department and helps many volunteers decide if they'd like to go on to be a recruit some day.

If you are interested in applying for future openings in this program, please contact Judi Switanek at 623-882-7807. 🌱





## Fixing Water Leaks Saves Money

The Environmental Protection Agency's WaterSense campaign encourages you to **Fix a Leak** in March. Ten percent of our homes have leaks that waste more than 90 gallons of water per day. That's more than an average Goodyear resident uses in one day in the winter. On average, home leaks waste enough water to fill an 11,000-gallon swimming pool every year.

### Find A Leak

- Squeeze a drop of food coloring in your toilet tank. If the color shows in the toilet before it is flushed, you have a leak. Flush immediately after this test to prevent stains.
- Check your last water bill. If you used over 12,000 gallons per month for a family of four, it's likely you have a leak.

### Fix A Leak

- If you're handy, you can replace faucet washers and showerhead tape to eliminate drips.
- Check toilet flappers if the toilet runs. Call a plumber if you're not comfortable fixing them.



### Drips Add Up

- A leak the size of the edge of a dime in your irrigation system can waste 6,300 gallons per month.
- Pick up a Drip Cup or Home Audit kit at the front desk at City Hall, 190 N. Litchfield Rd., or Water Resources Administration Building, 4980 S. 157th Ave., to measure how much a drip leaks per month. 🌱

## New Water Service Can Save HOAs Money

The City of Goodyear, under the new H2O365 water conservation program, has recently sent a letter to all Home Owners Associations (HOA) and Community Associations within the City to offer them free Irrigation Tune-ups. An HOA irrigation tune-up brings a team of Water Service employees to the HOA's property to check individual drip irrigation lines, sprinkler areas, clock settings, and overall usage. Water Utility Technicians and the Water Conservation Specialist will physically walk the irrigation lines with an HOA board member or property manager to identify opportunities for improvement. An HOA employee/contractor who can turn on irrigation lines and provide access to timers is required to participate throughout the tune-up.

The Water Conservation Specialist will provide a written and/or verbal report to the association's board summarizing steps that can be taken to reduce water usage. For more information on this free service, please call Water Conservation Specialist, Sandra Rode at 623-882-7509, or e-mail H2O365 at [savewater@goodyearaz.gov](mailto:savewater@goodyearaz.gov).

**Your commitment to carefully managing our vital water resources helps sustain our community, our environment, and your financial resources.** 🌱

## Calling All Goodyear Kids...



Artist Donald Lipski created "The Ziz," a 60-foot tall piece of art for the plaza in front of Goodyear Ballpark. This new community point of pride resembles a giant stretched baseball and is named for a giant mythological bird that rules over and protects all other birds. Tell us in 200 words or less what "The Ziz" means to you and your essay might be printed in a future issue of INFOCUS.

Please be sure to put your name, phone number and age on the essay and e-mail it to [dianne.cripe@goodyearaz.gov](mailto:dianne.cripe@goodyearaz.gov) or fax it to 623-882-7811. 🌱

## Citizen Group Promotes Health and Fitness

A.C.T.I.O.N. is a new, non-partisan, non-profit made up of motivated residents from Goodyear who are collaborating with Goodyear business leaders, non-profits, citizens, youth and government to make a positive impact on our community.

Key objectives for the organization include:

1. starting up a campaign to help families in Goodyear get healthy and live well,
2. wanting to build a playground in Goodyear for people of all ages with special needs, and
3. wanting to establish a shelter or sanctuary in Goodyear for lost and abandoned animals.

A subcommittee known as **Goodyear in Action** is working on the first objective. Its mission is to *promote, educate, and motivate* Goodyear residents toward healthy lifestyles to make Goodyear one of the **fittest** cities in the U.S.

**Goodyear in Action** is in the beginning stages of organizing and planning for future health and wellness events. If you are interested in helping make Goodyear one of the fittest cities in America, the group welcomes your involvement! Go to [goodyearinaction.com](http://goodyearinaction.com) to learn more about the subcommittee.

If you have interest in the special needs playground or the animal shelter projects, you can go to [actioningoodyear.org](http://actioningoodyear.org) for more information. 🌱

## Mortgage Trouble?

The official Arizona Foreclosure Help Line at 1-877-448-1211 will refer you to housing counselors with FREE information. They can help you understand the law and your options, help you organize your finances and represent you in negotiations.

For more information, visit [www.housingaz.com](http://www.housingaz.com). Additional information can be found at [www.fha.gov](http://www.fha.gov). 🌱



## Foreclosure Forum Offered Valuable Information

More than 75 people attended the FREE Home Foreclosure Forum the City of Goodyear and Credit Union West offered in February. Councilmember Joanne Osborne opened the forum with a welcome to attendees. The three-member panel of credit counselors and HUD representatives was moderated by Community Services Director Patti Evans. Panel members were Dan Alexander, Financial Counselor with Accel/Greenpath, Bob Birr, Assistant Vice President of Lending at Credit Union West, and Susan Marcell, Program Support Specialist for HUD. The audience asked many in-depth questions to learn what could be done to preclude foreclosure proceedings. 🌱



# Your Sanitation Service

## What to Recycle

### Paper

copy paper, computer paper, envelopes, junk mail, newspaper, ad inserts, magazines, catalogs, Post-It notes, NCR forms, telephone books, paper bags

### Glass

beverage and food bottles and jars (rinse lightly)

### Plastics

all plastic items (#1-#7) with the chasing arrows recycling symbol such as water, soda, and milk bottles and containers (rinse lightly)

### Aluminum

beverage cans (rinse lightly)

### Steel/Tin

food cans (rinse lightly)

### Cardboard

boxes must be empty of all packing material and broken down

### Carton

milk, juice, creamer (rinse lightly)

### Chipboard

office supply boxes, cereal boxes

## What Not to Recycle

### Electronics

computers, monitors, batteries, televisions (recycle electronics at the White Tanks Transfer Station, 18605 W. McDowell Rd.)

### Construction Waste

rock, sand, dirt, block, brick, concrete, drywall, windows, mirrors

### Hazardous Waste

paint, thinners, gas, oil, car batteries, tires

### Organic Materials

food waste, yard waste, wood

### Packing Material

packing popcorn, styrofoam

### Plastic

grocery bags (do not place recyclables in plastic bags), shrink wrap, windows, pools, pool liners, "compostable" items

### Other Aluminum

aluminum siding, sheets of aluminum foil

### Paper Products

hard-bound books, tissues, napkins, paper towels, plates, foil wrapping, waxed paper, waxed cartons, shredded paper

## Holiday Pickup Schedule 2009 - 2010

Following each holiday, pickup that week for garbage, recycling and bulk trash will switch to the day after your normal pickup day.

**Memorial Day – 5/25/09**

**Independence Day – 7/3/09**

**Labor Day – 9/7/09**

**Veterans' Day – 11/11/09**

**Thanksgiving Day – 11/26/09**

**Christmas Day – 12/25/09**

**New Year's Day – 1/1/10**

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day – 1/18/10**

**Presidents' Day – 2/15/10**

**Memorial Day – 5/31/10**

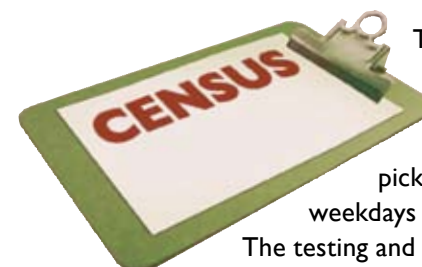
## Collection Zone Map

	Perryville Rd	Citrus Rd	Cotton Ln	Sarival Ave	Estrella Pkwy PebbleCreek Pkwy	Bullard Ave	Litchfield Rd	Dysart Rd
Camelback Rd								
Indian School Rd								
Thomas Rd								
McDowell Rd								
Interstate 10								
Van Buren St								
Yuma Rd								
Western Ave								
Lower Buckeye Rd								
Broadway Rd								
Southern Ave								
Baseline Rd								
Beloat Rd								
Elliot Rd								
Narramore Rd								
Ray Rd								

## Census Worker Testing

Several thousand workers will be hired by the U.S. Census Bureau for field positions in Maricopa County. The positions range from clerks to field operations supervisors. The pay structure ranges from \$11.25 to \$16.50 per hour, depending upon the position.

You must take a test to qualify. To arrange to be tested, call 602-427-0680. If the phone bank is busy, leave your name and phone number on the messaging system and you will receive a call back. **Please do not show up for the test unless you have arranged to be tested.**



Testing will be at Goodyear City Hall, 190 N. Litchfield Rd., Room 117 at 9 a.m. on April 16 and April 23.

Practice tests are available to be picked up between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays in the Goodyear City Hall lobby.

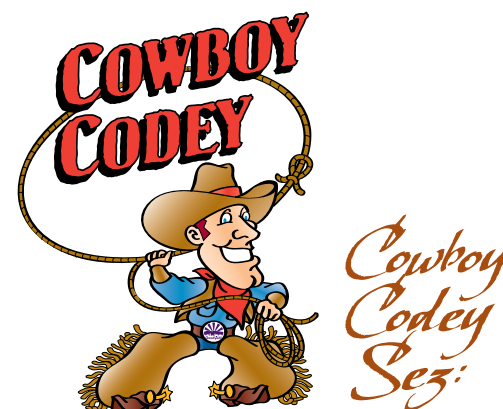
The testing and related application completion will take about two hours.

Qualified people will be called from hiring lists in order by test score. For more information, call 602-427-0680 or toll free 1-866-861-2010.

## Leap Frogs Drop into Ballpark

Five members of the famous Navy Leap Frogs Parachute Team jumped from their plane onto the field of the Goodyear Ballpark to celebrate the

Navy on Wednesday, March 11th. The Navy Honor Guard was also present at the pre-game show.



## Time to Wrangle Up Them Weeds!

Well, it's that time of year again. The winter rains have caused an abundance of weeds. They just seem to spring up over night. The City Code states that weeds should not be more than six inches in height. You are responsible for any weed growth in the sidewalks and alley ways adjacent to your property.

So, let's remember to try to keep weeds under control. We don't want them to hang around until they die and become a fire hazard.

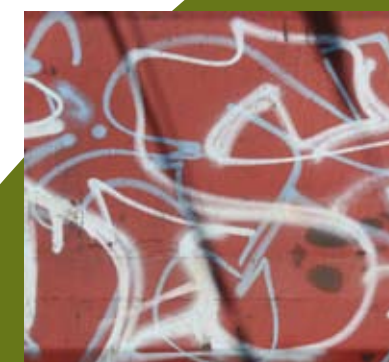
## Jobs with the City of Goodyear

Visit the City of Goodyear website at [www.goodyearaz.gov](http://www.goodyearaz.gov) or call the City's 24-hour hotline, 623-932-1716, for listings. The Human Resources Office is located at City Hall, 190 N. Litchfield Rd. Phone: 623-882-7765 or 623-882-7762. TTY: 623-932-6500. EEO/M/F/V/H/D. Goodyear accepts applications only for open positions.

## Graffiti Forum

The City of Goodyear Code Compliance Division, in partnership with the Police Department, are sponsoring a Graffiti Forum for residents interested in removing graffiti to learn about tagging, gang graffiti and how to remove graffiti safely and efficiently.

The forum will be on Wednesday, April 29, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. in Goodyear City Hall, Room 117.







## Goodyear Branch Library Grand Opening March 28

250 N. Litchfield Rd., Suite 185  
next to Goodyear City Hall

**Welcome and Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**  
10 a.m.

**Kid's activities, entertainment,  
refreshments, prize wheel**  
10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Visit with Special Guest Mother Goose**  
10:45 to 11:30 a.m.  
and 12:45 to 1:30 p.m.  
in City Hall, Room 117

**The Fortune Teller Lady**  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
in City Hall, Room 117



*Mother Goose*



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